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# National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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Type all entries—complete appl	icable sections	teach and a strategy	
1. Name			
historic Eureka Carnegie	Library		
and or common Same			
2. Location			
street & number 520 North	Main		not for publication
city, town Eureka	vicinity of		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
state Kansas	code 20 county	Greenwood	code 073
3. Classification	n		
Category  districtX public building(s) private structure both site bublic Acquisit object N/A in process N/A being consider	X yes: restricted	Present Use agriculture commercial educational entertainment government industrial military	museum park private residence religious scientific transportation other:
4. Owner of Pro	pperty		
name City of Eureka		4	
street & number City Hall			
city, town Eureka	vicinity of	state	Kansas 67045
5. Location of I	Legal Description	on	
courthouse, registry of deeds, etc.	Greenwood County Clerk		
street & number Greenwood Co	ounty Courthouse		
city, town Eureka		state	Kansas 67045
6. Representat	ion in Existing	Surveys	
title N/A	has this pro	perty been determined el	igible? yes _X_ no
date N/A		federal sta	te county local
depository for survey records	N/A		
city, town N/A		state	N/A

### 7. Description

Condition  X excellent good	deteriorated	Check one unaltered X altered	Check one X_ original site moved date	-	,
fair	unexposed				

#### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Eureka Carnegie Library (c. 1914) is located at 520 North Main in Eureka, Greenwood County, Kansas (pop. 3,425). The one-story, brick and limestone, Neo-Classical building stands on a corner lot two blocks north of Eureka's central business district. Its facade orientation is west. The building measures approximately fifty feet from north to south and forty feet from east to west. The library maintains its original function and retains a high degree of architectural integrity.

The one-story, red brick building sits on a raised foundation with a limestone sill and limestone watertable. It is a rectangular structure with a ridge hipped roof. Asphalt shingles have replaced the original green pantiles. Three bays comprise the building's facade and rear, it is one bay deep. A hipped roof, pedimented entry pavilion projects from the facade's center bay. A chimney projects from the rear elevation.

The projecting entryway pavilion contains a recessed double door with a transom. The original door has been replaced and the transom has been covered over. A limestone keystone and two voussoirs surmount the entryway. A limestone coffered ceiling ornaments the pavilion's ceiling. A simple limestone entablature ornaments the building on all elevations, "Carnegie Library" is inscribed into the freize above the entryway. Stone steps lead up to the doorway. The original cast iron lightposts with milk glass bowls which stood on the limestone abutments that flank the door have been removed.

The building maintains a one-over-one, double hung fenestration on both the first and basement levels, excepting two groups of single pane windows on the rear elevation. The first level windows are surmounted by a continuous brick stretcher lintel and underscored by limestone sills. These lintels are highlighted by limestone keystones. A continuous header lintel surmounts the basement level windows. Two basement access doors pierce the rear elevation.

The interior of the library maintains its three-bay floor plan and vestibule entrance with a basement stairway. The first floor ceiling has been covered with dropped acoustic tiles. The original light fixtures have been replaced with fluorescent fixtures. Much interior woodwork, such as the door and window surrounds and the staircase remains, as does some of the original furnishings.

#### 8. Significance

1400-1499 1500-1599 1600-1699 1700-1799 1800-1899	Areas of Significance—Carcheology-prehistoricagriculture X architectureartcommercecommunications	community plan conservation economics X education engineering	ning landscape architectu law literature military music	science sculpture X social/ humanitarian theater
Specific dates	1914	Builder/Architect	George P. Washburn Co.	- Architect
Statement of S	ignificance (in one naver	George E. Teegardin - H	Builder	

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Eureka Carnegie Library (c. 1914) is being nominated to the National Register as part of the Carnegie Libraries of Kansas thematic resources nomination (NR 1987) at the local level of significance under criteria A and C for its historical association with the Carnegie Corporation Library Building Program and for its architectural significance as a new building type.

The Entre Nous Club organized Eureka's first library in 1899 and maintained a permanent location in the Crebo Building from 1901 until 1914. The club was influential in getting the City of Eureka to apply for a Carnegie Corporation grant. In 1913 the Carnegie Corporation awarded the city a \$9,000 grant for the construction of a library building.

George P. Washburn, Co. of Ottawa, Kansas designed the library, producing a typical, restrained Neo-Classical, three-bay, one story building with a projecting central pedimented entry pavilion and a raised foundation found in most Kansas Carnegie Libraries. A local builder, George E. Teegardin, was awarded the construction contract on the building.

The building retains a high degree of integrity and is currently used as the community's library. Please see the cover nomination for additional information.

## 9. Major Biblicar phical Reference

See attached sheet

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